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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Appln. of: **RICHLIN et al.**

Appln. No.: **10/748,712**

Filed: **December 30, 2003**

For: **THREE-PIECE GARMENT HAVING AN  
ABSORBENT INSERT SECURED WITH  
VARIABLE ADHESIVE REGIONS**

Examiner: Unassigned

Art Unit: 3762

Attorney Docket No: **659-1149**

Commissioner for Patents  
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## TRANSMITTAL

Sir:

## Attached is/are:

- ☒ Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement (in duplicate).
- ☒ Form 1449.
- ☒ Copies of four (4) cited references.
- ☒ Return Receipt Postcard

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- ☒ No additional fee is required.
- ☐ Small Entity.
- ☐ An extension fee in an amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ for a \_\_\_\_\_-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a).
- ☐ A petition or processing fee in an amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(\_\_\_\_\_).
- ☐ An additional filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

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Total		Minus			x \$25=			x \$50=	
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First Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim					+\$180=			+\$360=	
					Total	\$		Total	\$

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- ☐ A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed.
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- ☐ Payment by credit card in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ (Form PTO-2038 is attached).
- ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR § 1.16 and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17 associated with this paper (including any extension fee required to ensure that this paper is timely filed), or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 23-1925.

Respectfully submitted,

March 2 2005  
Date

[Signature]  
Andrew D. Stover (Reg. No. 38,629)



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**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98, and more particularly in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b), Applicants hereby cite the following reference(s):

U.S. Patent No.	Issue Date	Patentee
US 6,514,233 B1	02/2003	GLAUG
US 2003/0028166 A1	02/2003	PRICE ET AL.

**FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS**

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EP 1 249 214 A2	10/2002	EP
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**OTHER DOCUMENTS**

International Search Report for PCT/US2004/030844, mailed 01/2005, 3 pages.
Written Opinion of the International Searching Authority, PCT/US2004/030844, mailed 01/2005, 5 pages.

Applicants are enclosing Form PTO-1449 (one sheet), along with a copy of each listed reference for which a copy is required under 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2). As each of the listed references is in English, no further commentary is believed to be necessary, 37 C.F.R §1.98(a)(3). Applicants respectfully request the Examiner's consideration of the above reference(s) and entry thereof into the record of this application.

By submitting this Statement, Applicants are attempting to fully comply with the duty of candor and good faith mandated by 37 C.F.R. §1.56. As such, this Statement is not intended to constitute an admission that any of the enclosed references, or other information referred to therein, constitutes "prior art" or is otherwise "material to patentability," as that phrase is defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56(a).

Applicants have calculated no fee to be due in connection with the filing of this Statement. However, the Director is authorized to charge any fee deficiency associated with the filing of this Statement to a deposit account, as authorized in the Transmittal accompanying this Statement.

March 2, 2005  
Date



Respectfully submitted,

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## REFERENCE DESIGNATION

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	B3	EP 1 249 214 A2	10/2002	EP		
	B4	EP 1 366 735 A1	12/2003	EP		

## OTHER ART – NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS

EXAMINER INITIAL		(Include name of author, title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published.
	B5	International Search Report for PCT/US2004/030844, mailed 01/2005, 3 pages.
	B6	Written Opinion of the International Searching Authority, PCT/US2004/030844, mailed 01/2005, 5 pages.

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